

**PATENT**

**Umicore 0143-US**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: RUTH, Karsten, et al.

Examiner: Thomas, Brent C

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For: *"Gas diffuser substrate containing catalysts for fuel cells,  
in addition to a method for the production thereof"*

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this response in reply to the June 16, 2009 Restriction Requirement issued in the above-referenced application. The period for filing a response to the June 16<sup>th</sup> Restriction expires July 16, 2009. Accordingly, the present response is timely filed.